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### **NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL**

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor(s): Deborah A. Schade; Kimberly L. Merkel; James W. Hansen

For (title): USE OF DOCOSAHEXAENOIC ACID AND ARACHIDONIC ACID ENHANCING

THE GROWTH OF PRETERM INFANTS

1. Type of Application

This application is for a divisional.

2. Benefit of Prior U.S. Application (35 U.S.C. §§ 119(e), 120, or 121)

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The new application being transmitted claims the benefit of prior U.S. application. Enclosed are ADDED PAGES FOR NEW APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL WHERE BENEFIT OF PRIOR U.S. APPLICATION CLAIMED.

### 3. Papers Enclosed

- A. Required for filing date under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) (Regular) or 37 C.F.R. § 1.153 (Design) Application
  - 82 Page(s) of Specification
  - 9 Page(s) of Claims
  - 6 Sheet(s) of Drawing(s)--Informal
- B. Other Papers Enclosed
  - 1 Page(s) of abstract
  - 1 Page(s) of Title Page

### 4. Declaration or Oath

Not Enclosed.

Application is made by a person authorized under 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c) on behalf of all of the above-named inventors.

# 5. Inventorship Statement

The inventorship for all the claims in this application is the same.

# 6. Language

**English** 

# 7. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16)

Regular Application

CLAIMS AS FILED											
Total Claims (37 C.F.R § 1.16(c))	Number F	Number Extra				Rate		Basic Fee 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a) \$750.00			
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8. Fee Payment Being Made at This Time

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#### 10. Relate Back

# A. 35 U.S.C. Sections 120, 121 and 365(c)

The present application is a Divisional of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/381,484, filed February 19, 2002, which is a Continued Prosecution Application of United States Non-provisional Patent Application Serial No. 09/381,484, filed September 21, 1999 under 35 U.S.C. § 371, which is a National Phase Application of International Application No. PCT/US98/10566, filed March 20, 1998, which designated the United States and claims the benefit of United States Provisional Application Serial No. 60/042,366, filed March 27, 1997, and claims the priority benefit of each of these applications, each of which is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety, and is related to a commonly assigned and copending application having the title "Use of Docosahexaenoic Acid and Arachidonic Acid Enhancing The Growth of Preterm Infants", which was filed on the same date as the present application.

## 11. Maintenance of Copendency of Prior Application

No conditional petition for extension of time is required in the pending prior application.

# 12. Further Inventorship Statement Where Benefit of Prior Application(s) Claimed

(a) This application discloses and claims only subject matter disclosed in the prior application whose particulars are set out above and the inventor in this application is the same.

#### 13. NOTIFICATION IN PARENT APPLICATION OF THIS FILING

A notification of the filing of this divisional is being filed in the parent application, from which this application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120.

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